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Dist. Council Of Carpenters Meets Tuesday

A very important meeting of the Monterey Bay Area District Council of Carpenters will be held next Tuesday, Feb. 13, at King City Carpenters' Hall, Pres. Harvey Baldwin announced last weekend.

Baldwin, who represents the District Council in negotiations for a contract with the Associated General Contractors of Northern California, said he has been called to a negotiation meeting in Oakland on Thursday, Feb. 15, to discuss contract problems.

He will ask the District Council for advice and instruction to take to the negotiation meeting, which was called by Intl. Rep. Joseph Cambiano, who is president of the State Council of Carpenters.

At the Oakland meeting the union representatives will discuss the Wage Stabilization Board's order freezing wages. Later they will meet with contractors in an effort to determine possibility of gaining an increase, Baldwin announced.

More Laborers Placed on Jobs In Salinas Area

Clearing weather has made it possible during the past week to place more union building tradesmen on various construction projects which had been delayed by mud, rain and generally bad weather, according to Bus. Agt. J. B. McGinley of Laborers Union 272 at Salinas.

Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Corp. has been receiving material at its Natividad plant preparatory to start of a large improvement and enlarging project. McGinley said no word has been received as to starting date of this job but it should be soon.

Hathaway Construction Co. of San Jose has started a new school project at Hollister.

M & K Construction Co. of San Francisco has started work on new cottages for guards near the site of the new state minimum security prison at Soledad.

Associated Engineering Corp. of Palo Alto is busy laying a new water system throughout the city of Greenfield.

Raymond Concrete Co. has completed pile driving for the foundation of the new memorial hospital on Romie Lane in Salinas.

Veterans' Hospitals Are Socialized Medicine!

The New York Times said Jan. 17: "One of the brightest spots in Federal activities during the past few years has been the high quality of medical service given veterans."

"... our veterans since 1945 have had medical care 'second to none.'"

The Federal Government, of course, owns veterans' hospitals and hires the doctors who treat the ex-servicemen.

That is genuine socialized medicine—and it has worked out all right in that case.

But the medical lobby, the American Medical Association (AMA), falsely labels national health insurance as "socialized medicine," although private hospitals would remain private under the national health insurance program, and private physicians would keep their private practice.

Even so, in view of the fine record made by the real article—treatment for veterans—perhaps the AMA will quit trying to damn national health insurance as "socialism."

But we doubt it. "Socialism" is too good a cuss word for the medical brass and its press agents to give up.—(LLPE).



RUN DEFENSE SET-UP—Eric Johnston, left, president Motion Picture Producers Assn. and 4-term president Chamber of Commerce of U. C., and Chas. E. Wilson, former president General Electric Co., are top bosses of nation's defense mobilization. Wilson is defense mobilization administrator, more powerful than President Truman in many matters, and Johnston is economic stabilization administrator with power over prices and wages, which affect every worker. Labor's representation so far has been 3 seats on the wage stabilization board. (AFL pict.)

Butler Urged As CLC Member On Park Board

Jimmie Butler, former president of the Monterey County Central Labor Council at Salinas, has been recommended by the council for appointment as a member of the Park and Recreation Commission of the City of Salinas, according to Council Secretary A. J. Clark.

The action was taken at last week's meeting of the council, Clark said. Highlights of the meeting also included:

Plans were started for a March of Dimes benefit dance at El Patio Ballroom, following announcement that plans for sponsorship of a fight card were abandoned because of inability to find a hall for the boxing.

Secretary Clark was instructed to write Assemblyman Silliman expressing council opposition to the state's policy allowing importation of Mexican Nationals for farm labor.

Ed Kidder, new business agent of Roofers Union 50, was named to the council's publicity committee.

Delegates reported on meetings with state authorities on use of prisoners for school repair work, no such practice in this county.

Laborers Union 272 reported on collection of \$15.00 from members at a Soledad meeting, for the March of Dimes, the union having voted a \$10 donation also.

Retail Clerks Union 839 reported on vote of 46 to 2 by Safeway Store employees in favor of a union shop contract. This union is laying plans now for organizing in shoe and department stores of the area.

TEMO SCOUT TROOP TAKES MANY HONORS

Boy Scout Troop 9 of Salinas, sponsored by General Teamsters Union 890, has won numerous contests and exhibitions throughout Monterey County in recent weeks, Union Secretary Peter A. Andrade reports.

The troop now has 26 members, has its own Scout Building which was built with donated material and labor, and members wear the emblem of the Intl. Brotherhood of Teamsters, Andrade added.

Russell Abbot is scoutmaster and the Troop Committee includes Henry Parma, Harry Stone, Art Bernard, Glen Wilkerson and Paul Pflug.

Andrade announced that headquarters of Local 890 has compiled information on the Social Security Act at request of members. This information, in question and answer form, is now available at the office.

Members of Local 890 are asked by Andrade to support the March of Dimes fund campaign, now under way. Andrade is a member of the Community Chest board of directors also, and announced that Local 890 was complimented for its support of the Chest campaign.

Electricians Tell of Dispute With Sal. Firm

Refusal of Schriver Electric Co. in Salinas to follow grievance procedure as set up in its union contract to settle disputes which have arisen resulted last week in an announcement by Electrical Workers Union 243 that the contract is considered broken.

Karl Ozols, union business manager, said the firm's management refused to mediate such disputed points as payment of proper wages, employment of non-union electricians, failure to pay into the union's benefit fund, and others.

Ozols said he has notified all builders in the Salinas area of the dispute and is checking on jobs contracted for by Schriver Electric Co. to make sure all are being handled by union craftsmen.

Only 9115 Tons Sardines Caught

Monterey's sardine catch for the season just past was only 9,115 tons, but a small percentage of the record 68,636 tons of sardines caught in the state. Most of the catch was from southern waters.

Union officials said that the poor season might result in little effort at a "summer pack" for Monterey this year. One plant received a load of anchovies last year, calling for union workers to process them.

Slight Thaw in Wage Freeze

Washington (LPA)—The Wage Stabilization Board chipped a hole in the wage freeze Jan. 31 approximately as expected.

Wage increases negotiated or arbitrated on or before the original Jan. 25 freeze date but going into effect after that date wouldn't require board authorization provided they were to become effective no later than Feb. 9, the board said in its Regulation No. 2. But copies of such agreements must be filed with the Board.

Board members said they thought about 500 contracts throughout the country were covered by the regulation and reported that copies of about 50 had been sent in for comment.

A question raised was what effect Regulation No. 2 would have on the "escalator" and "annual improvement" clauses written into many contracts during the past year. These agreements call for automatic increases when the federal cost-of-living index goes up and for annual raises based on increased productivity. Opponents of the escalators call them "built-in inflation." Their defenders point out that under them wages don't rise until inflation has already caused a rise in living costs. If you keep living costs down, the escalators don't operate, the defenders say. Answer to the question was that Regulation No. 2 wasn't a ruling on the escalators, that such a ruling would have to come later.

The three labor members of the board and the three public members approved Regulation No. 2, but the three industry members made public a dissenting opinion. In general, the industry members said that some groups of workers would be hurt no matter what day you picked to stop unauthorized wage increases. They thought that increases negotiated before the cut-off date to become effective later should be disallowed pending adjustment under the overall "catch up" formula the board is trying to evolve.

The board issued three additional regulations Jan. 31. One clarified the original freeze order by stressing that rates for overtime and other extra compensation were also frozen. Another said that wages should be automatically adjusted to comply with the Federal Fair Labor Standards (Minimum Wage) Act and state minimum wage laws. A third said the wages of state, county and municipal employees and other non-federal governmental employees could be increased by the appropriate bodies without prior approval. However, the board said it reserved the right to review, revoke or modify such increases.

AT&T Rings It Up

Wondering why your telephone bill is so high? Here's why:

The American Telephone & Telegraph Co. (the Bell System), which controls most of the big telephone companies, January 16 announced its profits last year, after all expenses and taxes had been paid, were the highest in history. The Bell's System's 1950 net profit figure was \$351 million. That's about a third more than the previous high of \$231 million, set in 1949.—(LLPE).

CARPENTERS MAY GET RETURNS ON STATE PAYMENTS

Refunds on over-payments by carpenters to the State Unemployment Compensation Fund may be secured now and forms to apply for the overpayment are available at offices of Carpenters Union 925 at Salinas, Business Agent Harvey Baldwin reports.

Any carpenter who worked for more than one contractor and who earned more than \$3000 during 1950 may secure a refund from the state. The state collects 1 per cent for unemployment compensation but is entitled to only \$30 per person for the year 1950. Thus a worker who earned \$5000 and had tax taken out for it all would have 1 per cent, or \$20.

Baldwin suggested that any member wishing to take advantage of the refund due them could get official papers and help in filling them out by contacting the union office.

Carpenters Union 925 at Salinas report two members underwent operations recently but are recovering nicely.

Earl Sprinkle, journeyman employed by Lemke Construction Co., has returned home for a period of recuperation.

W. H. Niblett, journeyman employed by Stone & Webster Corp., at Moss Landing, is recuperating from an appendectomy.

Big Monterey Jobs Started

Two major projects in the Monterey area were started last week, with promise of good employment opportunities for some time to come, according to S. M. Thomas, business agent of Monterey Laborers Union 690.

Barrett & Hilp, San Francisco contractors, started work on the new Levy-Zentner produce warehouse on Del Monte Ave. and moved in heavy equipment to start on the new Monterey sewage disposal plant, Thomas said.

Cascarone Supported

Culinary - Bartenders Union 483 supplied all union workers for the annual "Cascarone Ball" at the Del Monte Naval School ballroom last Saturday night. Union Secretary George L. Rice recruited many of the union's best bartenders and other workers to serve the huge crowd.

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BARBERS 827—Meets 3rd Tuesday at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St. at 8 p.m. Pres., Homer Coley, 1393 E. Market St. phone 2-1668; Rec. Sec., D. L. Hill, 20 W. Gabilan, phone 9085; Fin. Sec., Jimmie Butler, 418 Monterey Ave., phone 3504.

BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 11 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St. Sec.-Bus. Agt., Al J. Clark, 117 Pajaro St., phone 4633. Pres., Virgil K. Knight, office 117 Pajaro St. Phone 4633.

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BUTCHERS 506 (Salinas Branch)—Meets 1st Monday at Carpenters Hall at 8 p.m. Pres., Clark Bonner, 1209 1st Ave., phone 2-0720. Bus. Agt., E. L. Courtright, 1881 Jonathan Ave., San Jose, CYPRESS 5-3849. Hollister-Gilroy Officers: Pres., Richard Santa, 122 Vine St., Hollister, phone 392; Sec., Harold Johnson, Rte. 2, Box 139, Hollister, phone 4375.

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CENTRAL LABOR UNION (Monterey County), Salinas—Meets every Friday at 8 p.m., at 117 Pajaro St. Pres., R. A. Wood, Sec.-Treas., Alfred J. Clark, office at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 7787.

CULINARY ALLIANCE 467—Meets 2nd Monday at 2:00 p.m. and 4th Monday at 8:00 p.m. at Salinas Labor Temple. Pres., Alan Meeks; Sec., Bertha Boles. Office, Glickberg Bldg., 6 West Gabilan St., phone 5209.

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ELECTRIC WORKERS 243—Meets 1st Wednesday; Executive Board, 3rd Wednesday, 117 Pajaro St. Pres., Alvin Esser, 915 W. Laurel Dr., phone 2-3273; Fin. Sec. and Bus. Mgr., Karl E. Ozois, office 117 Pajaro St., phone 2-2886.

ENGINEERS (Stationary) 39—Meets 3rd Wednesday, 117 Pajaro, Salinas, 8 p.m. Pres., Frank Brantley; Sec., Leo J. Derby; Mgr., C. C. Fitch; Bus. Agt., R. A. Christiansen, Rm. 463, Porter Bldg., San Jose, phone CYPRESS 2-6393. Main office, 474 Valencia St., San Francisco, phone UNDERhill 1-1135.

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LABORERS 272—Meets 2nd Monday at 8 p.m. at 117 Pajaro St. Pres., R. Fenchel, 146 Hitchcock Rd., phone 5810, office 6939. Sec., J. F. Mattos, 102 Toro, phone 6777. Bus. Agt., J. B. McGinley, Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6777.

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LAUNDRY WORKERS 238—Meets 3rd Thursday at Salinas Labor Temple, at 7:30 p.m. Pres., Hazel Skewes, 1314 2nd Ave., Sec.-Treas., Grace MacRossie, 59-1st Ave., Receiver, Lawrence Palacios, 2940 16th St., San Francisco, Phone MA. 1-3336. Office, 117 Pajaro St., phone 6209.

MECHANICS AND MACHINISTS 1824—Meets 1st Tuesday; Executive Board, 2nd Thursday, Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Alex. Day, res. 611 Doss Ave., phone 2-3775; Fin. Sec., L. W. Parker, 1429 Wren St., phone Salinas 9494.

OFFICE EMPLOYEES 29 (Business Offices)—Meets on call. Headquarters 1919 Grove St., Oakland, phone TWinocks 3-5933; Sec., Marilyn E. Anglin; Bus. Agt., John B. Kinnick.

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PLASTERERS 763—Meets 4th Thursday, Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray T. Jones, 146 Pine St., phone 5530. Sec., C. R. Pendergrass, 210 Dennis, phone 2-1553.

PLUMBERS & STEAMFITTERS 503—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays, Salinas Moose Hall, 7:30 p.m.; (Ex. Board meets every Tuesday, 7 p.m.) Pres., Bert La Forge; Fin. and Rec. Sec., John W. Drew; Bus. Agt., E. R. Arbuckle. Office at Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., phone 2-3517.

POSTAL CARRIERS 1046—Meets 3rd Wednesday, Woman's Civic Club, 8 p.m. Pres., L. J. Mullins, 114 Kenneth St., ph. 4404; Sec., Richard LaFayette, 300 River Rd., ph. 9973.

PRESSMEN 328 (Monterey Bay Area Printing Pressmen & Ass'ts. Union)—Meets 3rd Monday of month at Salinas at 8 p.m. Pres., Harry Wingard 950 Colton, Monterey; Sec.-Treas., Robert P. Meders, 151 Toro Ave., Salinas.

RETAIL CLERKS 839—Meets 2nd Wednesday, Women's City Club, 8 p.m. Pres., Raymond Groth, 116 19th St., phone P.G. 5-3389; Sec. and Bus. Agt., Garold F. Miller, 831 Beach St., Salinas, phone 2-3366. Office, 6 W. Gabilan St., Room 1, phone 4938.

ROOFERS 50—Meets 2nd Friday, Watsonville Labor Temple, 8 p.m. Pres., Donald King, 106 Irving, Monterey, phone 5-3019; Rec. Sec., John Murphy, 618 Elm St., Seaside, ph. 5-5679.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Castroville and Watsonville. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres., John Alsop, Pacific Grove, phone Monterey 2-3825; Rec. Sec., Ray Kalbal, Box 250, Boulder Creek; Fin. Sec., Ray Opier, 924 East St., Salinas, phone 9274; Bus. Rep., Harry Foster, Box 424, Marina. Office phone Monterey 5-6744.

STATE COUNTY MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES 420—Meets on call. Pres., H. E. Lyons, 15 West St., Salinas; Sec.-Treas., W. P. Karcich, 20 Natividad Rd., Salinas, phone 2-2691.

SUGAR REFINERY WORKERS 20616—Meets 2nd and 4th Mondays, Firemen's Hall at 8 p.m. Pres., B. P. Fosselman, Spreckels, Sec.-Treas., Robert S. Macdonald, Spreckels, phone 3064.

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TYPOGRAPHICAL 543—Meets last Sunday of month alternating between Salinas and Watsonville. Pres., D. R. Harrison. Sec.-Treas., A. C. Davis, 109 Prospect St., Watsonville, phone 9591.

GENERAL TEAMSTERS, WAREHOUSEMEN AND HELPERS 890—Meets 1st Thursday, Salinas Moose Hall, 8 p.m. Pres., Ray Burditt, Sec., Peter A. Andrade; Bus. Agt., Wm. G. Kenyon. Office, 274 E. Alisal St., Salinas, phone 5743.

Salmon Tag Day

San Francisco.—Tag Day, the unique salmon fishing venture sponsored each year by the Division of Fish and Game, the San Francisco Tyee Club, and the Golden Gate Sport Fishers, will be held Sunday, Feb. 18, according to the State agency.

Several hundred anglers and biologists on a score of sport fishing boats will head out the Golden Gate in the inevitable morning fog. Object: to catch as many salmon as possible.

But the day-long fishing orgy will be strictly in the interests of conservation. As each fish is boated, it will be tagged with a pair of plastic discs and returned unharmed to the water.

Later, as the tags are returned to the Division of Fish and Game, biologists will know just a little more about the habits of California's salmon. Commercial or sport fishermen who return the tags from the fish they catch will be contributing to the knowledge of fish migrations, growth rate, and relative population size.

Some of this year's tag numbers will be secretly recorded, and when returned become eligible for cash prizes offered by the Tyee Club. Awards ranging in value from \$5 to \$25 have been given cooperating fishermen in the last year. Each California fisherman who returns a salmon tag is issued a commendation card by the State Division.

Marine Biologist Eldon Hughes is in charge of the annual event. He announced an alternate date of Feb. 25 if weather conditions prevent operations on Feb. 18.

Private Cops Union

In Philadelphia, private policemen threatened to organize a union of their own after the City Charter Commission voted 8 to 5 to make it unlawful for an employer to hire "strikebreakers under the guise of private cops."

Fee Splitting by MDs Compared to Confidence Game

St. Louis (LPA)—Fee kickbacks from one doctor to another tend "to reduce surgery to the level of the confidence game and the surgeon to the level of the lowest fee splitter, the racetrack tout." So declared Dr. Paul R. Hawley, director of the American College of Surgeons, at a college sectional meeting. "The college has never compromised in its opposition to fee splitting," he said, "but there still are too many cities and too many hospitals where it exists."

Charging that some surgeons remove "healthy organs," Dr. C. E. Burford, of the St. Louis University School of Medicine, said unnecessary operations are the frequent result of "an unholy alliance employing a method, unknown to the patient, of dividing the spoils or fees."

Keenan Resigns LLPE Position; '52 Plans Begun

Miami—The administrative committee of Labor's League for Political Education accepted the resignation of Joseph D. Keenan as director at its midwinter meeting. The committee adopted a resolution expressing appreciation for the services rendered by Keenan, who has been elected secretary-treasurer of the AFL Building and Construction Trades Department. A subcommittee was appointed to seek a successor to Keenan, who has served since 1948, and another to map a financial program for the 1952 presidential campaign.

Preliminary plans for the campaign were discussed.

The finance committee consists of AFL Vice Presidents George M. Harrison and Matthew Woll, and Richard Walsh, president of the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees.

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AFL Council is In Favor of Limited UMT

Miami.—The AFL executive council adopted a statement favoring limited universal military training.

The statement, issued on the last day of the council's midwinter meeting, said:

"In view of the present war emergency, the executive council favors limited universal military training, provided, however, that it shall end with the emergency; that it shall not become part of our educational system, and that it shall in no way transgress upon or become part of our civilian system of service, production and distribution, or be used in any way to limit, restrict or interfere with the rights of labor individually and/or collectively."

In other actions, the council:

1. Advocated adequate representation of labor at all policy and operating levels of the Office of Defense Mobilization.
2. Endorsed a pay raise for federal government employees.
3. Urged support for the Union Industries Show at Chicago in May.
4. Adopted a 10-point policy statement on international relations.

Previously the council had adopted statements urging a greater voice for organized labor in the Economic Stabilization Agency, overhauling the federal housing program, opposing a federal sales tax, and pledging support to Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Union Must Pay Man for Work Lost

St. Louis (LPA)—A National Labor Relations Board trial examiner has ruled that a driver dropped on a company's seniority list because he skips a union dues payment must be paid by the union for trips lost.

Local 41, AFL Teamsters, asked Byers Transportation Co., Inc. here to drop Frank Boston from 18th to 54th because he did not pay his June, 1950 dues until July 5, 1950. Union by-laws allow only two days' grace. Boston lost two trips at \$28.05 a trip.

Stephen S. Bean, trial examiner, said "discrimination against Boston was to encourage non-members to join the union." That, he said, is illegal under the Taft-Hartley act.

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Otto Never Named State Bldg. Trades President

Following the appointment of Frank A. Lawrence, General President, State Building and Construction Trades Council of California, to the position of Industrial Accident Commissioner by Governor Warren, Otto E. Never, Business Agent for the Operating Engineers, Local No. 3 in Eureka, was elected to succeed him by the General Executive Council of the State Building and Construction Trades Council which met in San Francisco on January 27.

Brother Lawrence intends to spend the short time that is available to him before assuming his new duties in familiarizing Brother Never with the duties of his office so that the continuity of the functions of the council will be assured.

Another matter which the General Executive Council took up was the granting of approval to the opening of an office in Los Angeles. The Pipelinings, incorporated state-wide agreement covering the Engineers, Plumbers, Teamsters and Laborers was also approved, as was the amended United Concrete Pipe Agreement which covers the eight unorganized plants in the State of California.

Four state-wide programs for comprehensive health and welfare plans were discussed and it was finally decided to refer the whole matter to the executive officers for their continued negotiations with as many other companies as possible, so that the best plan could be submitted for consideration.

The council also discussed proposal of a state-wide plan for the settling of jurisdictional disputes, which was referred to the executive officers. When more information is obtained, all pertinent data will be considered at a later date.

A report was submitted by the legal counselors, Charles P. Scully and P. H. McCarthy, Jr., to the effect that all the resolutions providing for legislation had been complied with. These resolutions were adopted by the '49 and '50 conventions.

The matter of issuing a monthly newsletter was also given consideration and it was decided to instruct the executive officers to comply with the resolution providing for this matter as soon as possible.

By unanimous vote, the Executive Council rejected the issuance of any further charters in California.

Brother Never plans to assume his new duties as quickly as possible, and since Brother Lawrence will take over his new position about February 15, it will undoubtedly be but a short time before Brother Never will dig in and assume the responsible position to which he was elected by the General Executive Board. Brother Lawrence has promised to give him his fullest cooperation and assistance.

The Red Cross in Glendora is making a survey of facilities for feeding, housing and providing medical care for evacuees.

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OTTO E. NEVER

Council Welcomes Petrillo to Seat As Vice President

Miami, Fla.—The AFL Executive Council welcomed James C. Petrillo, president of the American Federation of Musicians, when he came here Jan. 23 to take his seat as the 13th vice president.

Petrillo, 58, was elected at the midwinter council meeting to the vacancy caused by the death of his predecessor as president of the Musicians Union and AFL vice president, Joseph N. Weber.

The new vice president was born in 1892 in Chicago. He learned to play a cornet given him by Jane Addams, founder of Hull House. As a boy he sold newspapers, operated an elevator, and peddled popcorn and peanuts on Northwestern trains.

Through his playing in a Chicago band, he became active in the local Musicians' Union. He was elected vice president in 1920 and president in 1922 of the Chicago Musicians' Union, a position he still holds.

Petrillo became president of the American Federation of Musicians in 1940 upon the retirement of Mr. Weber. His union paid per capita tax on 238,600 members last year.

He has served as a member of the Chicago Park Board and in 1935 inaugurated the free Grant Park concerts in that city which brought Chicago to the musical attention of the world.

Petrillo has been the originator of many other steps to spread the enjoyment of music among increasing millions of people and at the same time providing employment and raising the working and living standards of union members.

Paper Points Out Sales Tax Unfair

"A sales tax is notoriously one of the most unjust of taxes. It does not incorporate sufficiently the principle of ability to pay. The rich do pay more in sales taxes than the poor, because they usually buy more goods and more expensive goods."

"But the tax on a bottle of milk is the same, no matter who buys it, and the sales tax consequently shifts too much of the load to those least able to pay."—St. Louis Post Dispatch, January 11.

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EDITORIALS

Trying Out Controls

All our people are watching what is happening with our price and wage freezes. Ever since the day was set for prices and wages to be frozen at the levels in force on the day in January when controls were supposed to go into effect the control board has been more than busy issuing special orders to modify the freeze order as it seemed to stand on the day it went into effect.

Wage agreements, such as that of the miners, which was set to go into effect Feb. 1st with an increase of ten per cent, were approved, as were many other union agreements that call for revision of salaries and wages as the price index may go up. These and other situations affecting prices have kept the price control board more than busy ever since the day they tried to stop runaway prices with their nation-wide freeze.

In the meantime our people are waiting patiently, as is their habit to do, for further developments in the task being undertaken to institute controls. It is no easy task, of course, and the fact that prices were permitted to soar for at least seven months instead of clamping them down where they stood the day we decided to enter the war in Korea, makes any controls now not only difficult but ineffective.

Still our people are waiting patiently for the control board to do something about the present outrageously high prices. Many have soared entirely out of bounds and there certainly are cases where rollbacks would be in order.

Striking Against the Government

There is a prevailing idea in our land that no worker has any right to strike against the government under any circumstances. This conception has been largely observed in this country. When strikes have tied up vital industries there have been a number of cases where the government has taken over those industries and in practically every case the workers have returned to work while differences were ironed out by direct or indirect negotiations.

But what if we some day should have a strike against the government, which the stand taken by the switchmen comes very close to being? To have a clear-cut test of this issue, however, such a strike would hardly be a fair test. To have that the union should be taking the initiative.

In the final analysis the day may come when it will be recognized that workers have as much right to strike against the government as they have to strike against any other employer. In Norway it has long since been recognized that the workers have the right to strike against the government and when that government tried to abolish strikes by compulsory arbitration it did not work any better than prohibition worked when they tried that hence both of these plans have been abolished.

Unauthorized Strikes

Recent outbreaks of unauthorized strikes bring to our attention the whole subject of when is a workman legally permitted to quit his job? Very close to this question is the other question of whether or not working people are within their rights to strike against the government if they are working directly for it or under its supervision.

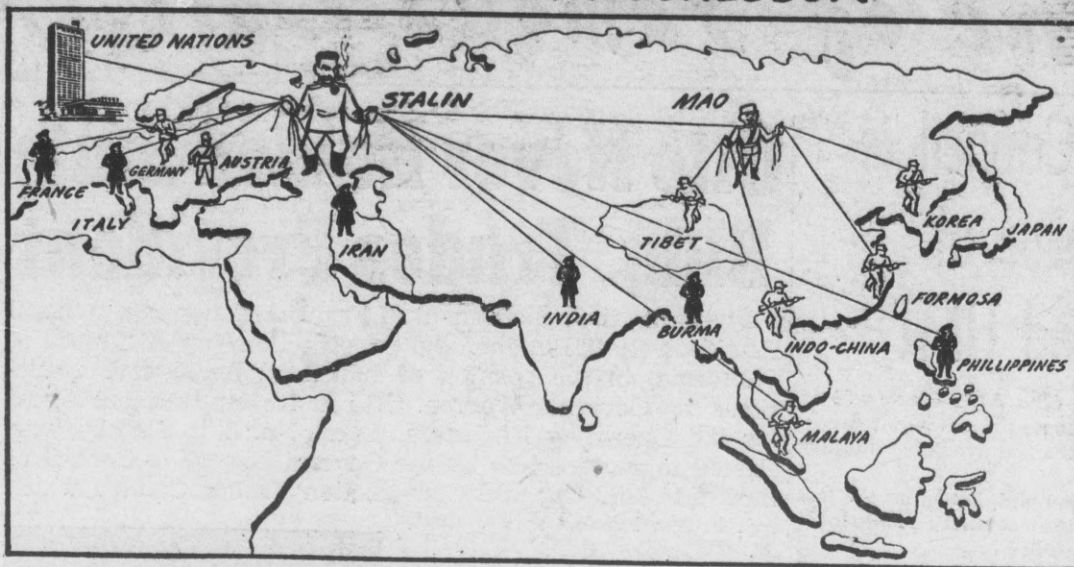
However much wildcat striking may be deplored who is there who can say that a worker does not have any legal right to quit his job unless his union has authorized it? It is when many quit their jobs at the same time so that work stoppages actually result that the arguments begin to fly in every direction.

If this happens and the union officials order the men back to work and those who have quit simply refuse to do it, what more can the union officials do about it?

Since chattel slavery was abolished in the United States there is no legal process by which any man who quits his job can be forced to resume work unless he wants to. Many kinds of pressure may be applied to him to induce him to go back to work but if he still refuses to get back on the job how could he be forced by law to work against his will?

It was this fundamental right of the miners to refuse as individuals to return to work that enabled them as individuals to win their strike after the courts had fined their union over two million dollars for striking as a union in defiance of the court's order to return to work. But when the miners acted as individuals they made it stick legally. For any court to rule otherwise would be to re-establish slavery.

STALIN: THE KEY AGGRESSOR



JOKES, Etc.

The taxpayers are beginning to feel like the sick man about whom the doctor inquired, "Nurse, did the patient take the medicine religiously, as I ordered?" "No, sir," replied the nurse. "He cursed every time he took it."

A society lady who did little work visited a specialist to complain of her insomnia.

"So you can't sleep at night?" queried the doctor.

"Well, yes, I can sleep through the night all right," replied the lady, "but along about 10 o'clock in the morning I just toss and tumble."

"So you traded in your old car, at last," said the pessimist.

"Yes," replied the optimist, "I'm not one to hold back on our defense program when the government needs scrap iron."

Jones: "I'll bet you think twice before leaving that wife of yours alone in the evening."

Smith: "I'll say. First, I have to think up an excuse for going out, and then a reason why she can't go with me."

Two ladies who had not seen each other for a long time met on the street.

"Oh, Mary," exclaimed one of them. "So many things have happened to me since I saw you last! I've had my teeth out, and an electric stove and refrigerator put in."

Li'l Gee Gee, the office vamp, says: "An echo is the only thing that cheats a woman out of the last word."

Miss Minerva was overheard saying: "Many a gal will yell when she sees a mouse, but thinks nothing of getting in a car with a wolf."

A wise husband will buy his wife such fine china that she won't trust him to wash the dishes.

"Hey," cried Satan to the new arrival, "you act as if you owned this dump."

"I do," said the arrival, "my wife gave it to me."

"Cowards die many times before their deaths; the valiant never taste of death but once."—Shakespeare.



SHE'S A DEVIL—Nita Weiner appears as a devil at the annual Chelsea Art Ball in London. (LPA)

A building contractor carefully inspected a load of lumber that had just been delivered to him. Then he sent this telegram to the dealer: "Knot holes received. Now send the knots."

Motorist: "How far is it to the next town?"

Farmer: "Two miles as the crow flies."

Motorist: "How far is it if the crow has to walk and roll a flat tire to be fixed?"

Said Jerry the barber to his wife: "You can't have your cake and figure, too."

An efficiency expert walked into an office and asked the first clerk he met, "What do you do here?" "Nothing," answered the clerk.

The efficiency expert nodded, made a note, then asked a second clerk, "And you, what's your job here?"

"I don't do anything either," "Hm-m-m," said the efficiency expert, "duplication."

A psychologist has announced that laziness in white rats and probably in human beings is an hereditary trait. Grandfather always claimed that the smartest men were the laziest and that is why they invented something or devised new ways of doing their work.

"The mule," wrote little Sammy painstakingly, "is a hardier bird than the goose or turkey and different, too. He wears his wings on the side of his head. He has two legs to walk with, two legs to kick with, and is sometimes backward about going forward."

Gamblers Clean Up In Food Market as Congress Sleeps

Food gamblers are getting richer while you are getting poorer paying high food prices. Yet Congress still refuses to do anything about the food gamblers who have been pushing up prices since the Korean war began last June.

Administrator J. M. Mehl of the Commodity Exchange Authority again reminds Americans, in his annual report issued Jan. 17, of the need for regulating food gamblers. The report says that since the outbreak of war in Korea speculation on the commodity markets has increased greatly.

"A very large part of this increased trading was by speculators not directly connected with the marketing or processing of commodities," Mehl reports.

The soybean crop was traded 15 times in the commodity markets last year. Every time it changed hands somebody made a profit.

There also was a large amount of trading in cottonseed oil, lard, cotton and wool. Gamblers cleaned up on wheat, corn and eggs, too.

Food gamblers need down payments of only 6 to 13 per cent to get into the market. If these rates were increased by Congress to 75 per cent, like stock market margin requirements, there'd be a lot less gambling in food.—(LLPE).

Should Freeze Prices at the Korea Level

Prices should be frozen at pre-Korean war levels—not at January 1 or February 1, 1951 levels. Most government officials seem to forget Big Business started its war profiteering last July—not on January 1.

A January 1 freeze means Big Business will receive governmental blessing for its scandalous profiteering during the first six months of the Korean war.

Chairman Lyndon Johnson (D., Texas) of the Preparedness Subcommittee of the Senate Armed Services Committee told the Senate January 17 about some of that profiteering.

He reported that from April to December, 1950, the prices the Defense Dept. paid for:

A pound of crude rubber increased by 210 per cent.

A pound of tin jumped 85 per cent.

A yard of burlap went up .76 per cent.

A pound of lead increased by 62 per cent.

A pair of Cotton khaki trousers shot up 31 per cent.

A yard of 15-ounce weight wool serge jumped 40 per cent.

A dozen of eggs increased by 53 per cent.

That's only part of the price increases. It took two pages of the January 17 Congressional Record to list, in small type, all the price increases that have affected the Defense Dept. since last April.

Paso Robles has purchased three air raid sirens and is canvassing the area for possible accommodations for persons forced to flee from a bombed city. Homes, barns, even sheds are being considered.

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Your Income Tax: Who Must File, and How to Do It!

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Washington (LPA)—It may hurt, but it's got to be done, and you might as well get it over with now. We mean filing your 1950 income tax return. Maybe you'll be among the lucky ones who wind up with Uncle Sam owing you dough, instead of the other way around. The deadline is March 15, and if you do it now, it'll be off your mind and your conscience. And it's not as tough as you think.

If your income was under \$5,000, and was all from wages, the job is pretty simple. Your boss must give you a slip showing how much wages you got, and how much was withheld for income tax. You use the simple form 1040A. You fill out the questions asked on the form, mail to the Collector of Internal Revenue, inclosing the withholding statement from your boss. Uncle Sam does the figuring. If you still owe anything, Uncle will bill you. If too much was withheld, you get a refund.

All persons whose gross income in 1950 was \$600 or more must file a return. They may not have a tax to pay, but must file a return. Any tax you owe may be paid in four installments.

If you want to figure your own tax, even though your income was under \$5,000, you may use the short form 1040. You list gross income and exemptions, and then by looking on page 4 you can figure your tax. You can't list any deductions except dependents, because the tax table takes those non-business deductions into consideration in figuring the tax.

If your gross income was over \$5,000, you must use the long form 1040, but you may also use the long form if your gross income was under \$5,000 if your non-business deductions come to more than 10 per cent of your gross income.

Gross income: That you can get from the slip the boss must give you. If you had any other income, such as rent paid to you, dividends, interest paid to you, etc., you must include that in your gross income.

The following are not considered income and should not be reported: Payments from accident insurance; from health insurance for which no expense deductions were taken in prior years; life insurance proceeds from death of insured; old age and survivor pen-

sions under Social Security; Railroad Retirement Act or union pension plans; unemployment benefits; workmen's compensation.

The following are taxable income: Strike benefits; bonuses from employers; civil service disability retirement payments; interest on government bonds bought after March 1, 1941.

Dependents: If you're single, you have one dependent—yourself; if married, but childless, two; if you have one child, three; and so on. You can claim other dependents, but they must meet the following tests: they got less than \$500 gross income during 1950; you furnished more than half their support; they are blood relatives, or legally adopted, or close relatives by marriage.

(If your status changed during the year, the status as of Dec. 31 is what counts. If you're married and blind, and your wife is blind, and both of you are over 65, you are allowed six exemptions.)

Non-business deductions: The most common are: charitable contributions, limited to 15 per cent of gross income; interest payments on mortgages, your car, personal loans, etc.; taxes on real estate, sales taxes if stated separately at time of purchases; losses due to casualty or theft not covered by insurance, such as fire in your home, damage to your car due to collision, theft of jewelry, etc.; medical expenses over 5 per cent of your gross income; labor union dues and assessments except such portions as go to payment of mortuary or sick benefits.

If all these non-business deductions amount to more than 10 per cent of your gross income, you probably will save money by using long form 1040 and listing all the items, one by one.

Joint Returns: In most cases you can save money by filing a joint return. Both your income and your wife's, and exemptions of both, are filed on one return, signed by both of you. If husband and wife have about the same income, and one has larger than normal non-business deductions, it may be worthwhile to figure the tax both ways—a joint return, and separate returns.

No Experts. Unless the sources of your income or your deductions are complicated, you don't need an expert to fill out your income tax



AFL VICE-PRESIDENT—James C. Petrillo, pres. American Fed. of Musicians the past 11 years, since retirement of the late Joseph N. Weber, became AFL 13th vice-president at midwinter meeting of AFL Executive Council.

Price Jump Biggest In Four Years

Washington.—Led by a 2.8 per cent rise in food prices, retail prices of goods and services bought by moderate-income urban families increased 1.6 per cent between Nov. 15 and Dec. 15.

The U. S. Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics said this was the greatest percentage increase in the Consumers' Price Index during any month since September 1947 when the index rose 2.2 per cent.

The Consumers' Price Index for Dec. 15 was 178.4 (1935-39=100). This was 4.8 per cent above last June, 6.5 per cent above a year ago, and 81 per cent above the level of August 1939.

Householdings prices advanced 1.2 per cent. Miscellaneous goods and services rose 0.9 per cent and apparel 0.7 per cent. Residential rents and fuel, electricity and refrigeration also increased fractionally during the month.

The average increase of 6.5 per cent in consumers' prices during 1950 occurred largely after the beginning of the Korean conflict. Between December 1949 and June 1950 the rise was only 1.6 per cent.

Between June and December 1950, the Consumers' Price Index rose 4.8 per cent as prices averaged higher for all major groups.

If you hesitate to do it yourself, the Collector of Internal Revenue or a deputy will do it for you—provided that you bring with you all the information and have it ready when your turn comes to step up to the counter.

High Costs Force Bay Newspapers To Raise Prices

Circulation price increases due to heavily increased operating costs will be made this week by three Bay area afternoon daily newspapers.

The Alameda Times-Star, Burlingame Advance and San Mateo Times on February 1 will advance their monthly circulation price to \$1.25 from \$1.00.

Announcements to readers explained that advancing costs of newsprint and other major cost factors made the increases necessary.

At Santa Cruz, a plan was discussed by the city water commissioners for protection of the city's water system in the event of an atomic attack.



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How Many New Words Do You Learn?

New York—Approximately 1,000 new words are absorbed into the American language every year, says Clarence Barnhart, author of the new Thorndike-Barnhart Comprehensive Desk Dictionary.

Examples of new words are "Dixiecrat" (used a lot in AFL News Service); "Veep," "Cortisone," and variations of the word "atom."

Discuss Women Workers

New York—Frieda Miller, director U. S. Women's Bureau, and Jack Barbash, staff member U. S. Senate sub-committee Labor-Management Relations, will address the 28th annual conference of the New York Women's Trade Union League on "Industrial Mobilization of Women Workers" on Feb. 17.

48-Hour Week?

The 48-hour work week is a long ways off.

That's what Secretary of Labor Maurice Tobin told the Preparedness Subcommittee of the Senate Armed Services Committee Jan. 16.

Anti-labor outfits like the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) are talking about a 48-hour week—without overtime pay.

The Chamber of Commerce and the NAM say that the longer work week is needed to speed up defense production. Actually the anti-labor boys are using the defense emergency as an excuse to try to break down the 40-hour week.

Pointing out that the nation gets "diminishing returns in production" when the work week goes above 40 hours, Tobin says that "48 hours is not an immediate problem and is not likely to occur in the immediate future."

Argument For Sales Tax Falls Of Own Weight

A sales tax is good because it helps fight inflation.

So says Big Business. Let's examine that argument.

The idea is that a sales tax increases prices of the things people want to buy. When prices go up, some people will no longer be able to afford, say, a new suit of clothes. So the demand for clothing will go down.

If this argument is true, why don't we just forget about price controls and let prices shoot up, up, and up?

Wouldn't that be as good a weapon against inflation as a sales tax? Demand certainly would decrease.—(LLPE).

U.S. Labor Battles Unfair Pay Freeze

Washington.—The AFL joined with other labor groups in a battle to thaw an unfair wage and price freeze imposed Jan. 26 by Economic Stabilization Director Eric Johnston.

The orders froze prices at their highest peaks and blocked pay raises for wage earners caught far behind the cost of living increase.

Prices were frozen at the highest levels reached in the period between Dec. 19, 1950, and Jan. 25, 1951.

Wages were frozen as of Jan. 25 and may not be increased without prior government approval.

But there were indications that wage rules will be eased within a short time for large groups of workers unfairly caught in the freeze.

AFL Pres. William Green said that in view of the analysis of the wage freeze order being made by Wage Board Chairman Cyrus S. Ching and others, "we will await with interest the correct and final interpretation of the order."

"We will continue to insist, however, that the wage control policy of the government shall be sufficiently flexible to permit the establishment of parity between wages and prices," Green said.

Green and other AFL leaders planned meetings with other labor spokesmen and government officials on working out immediately methods by which wage raises

negotiated by collective bargaining can be approved without undue delay.

PUSH WAGES WAY BACK

While prices were frozen at the all-time peak reached in the last few weeks, the base rate on wages was set way back to the period between May 24 and June 24—the last month before outbreak of the Korean war. The wage order said that pay shall not be less than the rate paid during that period.

The order also provided:

"No employer shall pay any employee and no employee shall receive wages, salaries and other compensation at a rate in excess of the rate at which such employee was compensated on Jan. 25, 1951, without the prior approval or authority of the Wage Stabilization Board.

"New employees shall not be compensated at rates higher than those in effect on Jan. 25, 1951, for the jobs for which they are hired."

The wage order was issued by Johnston. Labor members of the wage board did not sign it.

Tight Rent Curbs Will Be Asked

Washington.—Housing Expeditor Tighe E. Woods disclosed that he had asked Defense Mobilization Administrator Charles E. Wilson to support legislation enacting "very tough" rent controls to watch the price-wage freeze.

Present loose federal controls will expire March 31.

The AFL executive council called for tight rent curbs for the duration of the emergency.

Mr. Woods said 35 of the nation's 106 cities over 100,000 population have no rent control and 28 more will be automatically decontrolled on March 31 unless they exercise their option and formally request a continuation of federal rent controls until next June 30.

Pasadena is asking for 200 first aid instructors.

Sea Fishing Good

Terminal Island—Sportsmen enjoyed deep sea fishing during November from almost every California port between Bodega Bay, north of San Francisco, to San Diego.

Reports compiled by the State Division of Fish and Game show catches of 11,336 anglers who operated from 72 party fishing boats.

Largest number of anglers, 4,885, used 17 boats operating out of Long Beach, Wilmington, and San Pedro. A total catch of 21,220 fish, mostly kelp and sand bass, barracuda, and rockfish, was reported in the Los Angeles Harbor area.

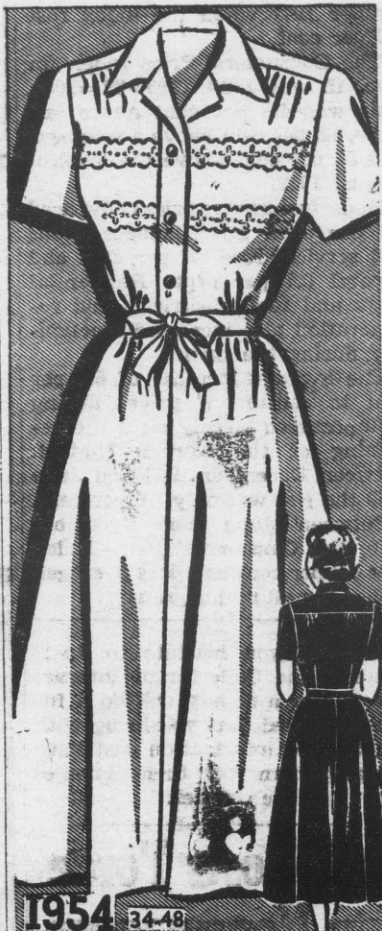
Striped bass party boat operators in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta area noted improved fishing during November. However, this fishing dropped off in San Pablo Bay and Carquinez Straits, compared to the totals recorded during previous months.

Food Index Is Up Four Points

Washington (LPA)—The Dun & Bradstreet wholesale food index climbed four cents in the week ending Jan. 23, when prices of 14 foods went up. New index was \$7.08, highest since Aug. 10, 1948, when it was \$7.18.

Jan. 23 marked the sixth consecutive week the index had advanced and the 15th consecutive week it had advanced or held its own. The price rise is especially apparent in comparison with the 1949 high, which was only \$6.12. All-time high, \$7.32, was reached July 13, 1948.

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'Excise Tax' Is Fancy Phrase For Sales Levy on Store Goods

(AFL Release)

Manufacturers' excise tax—when you see that fancy phrase, look out! It's U. C. Chamber of Commerce and National Association of Manufacturers (NAM) talk for a Federal sales tax.

A big campaign is under way to fasten a Federal sales tax around the necks of American workers.

Big Business, which still isn't paying its fair share of the tax burden, wants to shift the whole burden onto the backs of workers. And its very possible the Dixiecrat-reactionary Republican group controlling Congress may approve a sales tax.

Now, as to the phrase, "manufacturers' excise tax."

By that, the Chamber of Commerce-NAM crowd means a tax placed on goods as they come off assembly line. For instance on every pair of shoes costing \$10 at the factory the government would slap a 10 per cent tax.

So instead of paying \$10 for the shoes at the factory, the wholesaler or retailer would have to pay \$11. The manufacturer simply would pass on the cost of the tax.

Of course wholesalers and retailers would raise their prices to you. Everyone passes the tax buck until finally you, the consumer, ends up paying the bill.

Call it what you will—manufacturers' excise tax or Federal sales

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Plumber Chiefs At S.M. Meeting

Business agents of Plumbers & Steamfitters Unions in Salinas, Monterey and San Luis Obispo were in attendance at a Northern California Council meeting of the Craft in San Mateo on Saturday and Sunday to discuss problems affecting the area.

Attending from Salinas Local 503 was Bus. Mgr. E. R. Arbuckle, from Monterey Local 62 was Bus. Agt. William Zimmerman, and from the San Luis Obispo local was Ben Line, new business agent. Intl. Rep. Archie Virtue also was at the meeting.

Iceland Fish Hike

In Reykjavik, Iceland, where the days are short and the nights are long, union fishermen ended a five-month strike with a 30 per cent pay raise.

Medical Education Calvin Advocates Aid Bill Passage

Massena, N. Y.—W. A. Calvin, acting director AFL Social Insurance Activities, urged the 82d Congress to enact the newly-introduced aid-to-medical education bill to relieve the tragic shortage of doctors for the armed forces and at home.

Speaking to the AFL Aluminum Workers, Mr. Calvin said:

"Since the convening of the present session of Congress, a new aid to medical education bill has been introduced which will undoubtedly have strong bipartisan support. It should be enacted into law with the universal approval of a grateful people.

"The fate of this commendable legislative document will, to a very material degree, depend upon the attitude of the American Medical Association.

"Unless a transformation comparable to changing of the leopard spots takes place this bill will be opposed by the AMA on the fallacious unsupported allegation that it is a camouflaged scheme to bring

the medical profession under rigid government control."

Mr. Calvin said an aroused public consciousness can counteract the AMA's vicious misrepresentation and get Congress to pass the funds needed to train more young men for the medical profession.

The AMA defeated the bill in the 81st Congress despite pleas of medical school deans for financial aid.

Monterey Cook Dies Suddenly

Lum Wing Chew, member of Monterey Culinary-Bartenders Union 483 since 1939, passed away suddenly last week at his home, 370 Tyler St., according to union officials.

Bro. Chew had been cook at King's Cafe in Monterey. He had resided here 15 years, coming to Monterey from his native China.

Culinary 467 Wins Health Aid Praise

Commendation of the Salinas City Health Department has been sent to Culinary Alliance 467 of that city for the union's assistance in the recent hygiene classes for culinary workers, Union Secretary Bertha A. Boles reports.

The union cooperated in the four-week hygiene program by instructing cooks, waitresses and dishwashers to attend and learn health regulations.

Appointed Counsel

Columbus, Ohio.—Howard M. Metzbaum, Cleveland attorney, is the new general counsel of the Ohio State Federation of Labor. He was a public member of the War Labor Board and has arbitrated disputes in Ohio, Kentucky, and West Virginia. He succeeds the late Thomas J. Duffy.

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ISRAEL HONORS GREEN—AFL Pres. Wm. Green receives in New York a bronze statuette, "The Israel Pioneer," from Dr. Joseph Burstein, special rep. of Histadrut, Israel Labor Federation, as Max Zaritsky, left, honorary president AFL United Hatters, Cap and Millinery Wkrs., and Joseph Schlossberg, right, chairman Natl. Committee for Labor Israel, look on. Presentation took place at testimonial dinner.

AMA 'Placing Profit Motive First'; Says Group, Urging Legislation

Assailing the American Medical Association as motivated by "sordid commercial considerations" in its far-flung campaign of "false and contemptible" propaganda against national health insurance, the National Assembly for the Advancement of Public Relations called upon the nation to take action to double the number of doctors within the next 10 years.

"The hierarchy of the American Medical Association, behind the smokescreen of hypocrisy and confusion deliberately concocted in an attempt to throw the American people off the trail, is solely concerned with protecting the unconscionable monopoly, so tremendously lucrative, resulting from the fact that the nation has only one-half as many doctors as it actually requires to meet the health needs of the people," declared the public relations group, which has announced it is dedicated to the use of public relations in the public interest, rather than narrow, selfish interests.

"Because the AMA has coolly and deliberately placed the profit motive first and is quite willing to let the high ideals of the medical profession and the vast unmet health needs of the American people be rudely brushed aside, Congress owes it to the nation to take effective action to smash the stranglehold to which a grossly inadequate number of doctors now subject the people."

To end the AMA's present monopoly, the National Assembly for the Advancement of Public Legislation providing:

(1) Unlimited federal financial aid to existing medical schools which require assistance in order to remain in operation. (2) Establishment by the federal government, as a part of the national defense program, of at least one new medical school in each of the 48 states, the District of Columbia, Hawaii and Puerto Rico.

(3) Twenty-year loans, one-half of 1 per cent interest, to young men and young women who want

to study medicine but whose families lack sufficient resources to finance their medical education. (4) In granting loans to enable students from the low-income and middle-income families to become doctors, preference to be given to those applicants who indicate their desire to practice in the small towns and rural regions and other localities where the supply of doctors is "extremely inadequate."

Excess Profits Tax Needs Revision

President Truman says the 1950 excess profits tax law let corporations off easy.

And the President thinks that the new Congress should look over again the whole excess profits tax question.

"We shall have to canvass and recanvass every revenue possibility, including the new excess profits tax," the President said January 3 after approving the profits tax law.

"In developing this tax in the new weeks at its disposal, the Congress may have been overly liberal in its concern over some corporations in special circumstances."

"Some of the provisions of this bill will probably give an undue advantage to some corporations, especially in relation to the tax burdens necessarily borne by others. Excessive exemptions and relief provisions create inequities and reduce the Government's revenues needlessly." (LLPE)

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MEDICS COVER UP BIG INCOME

Washington (LPA)—In a telegram to the American Medical Association, the National Assembly for the Advancement of Public Relations has asked the doctors why they want to preserve an antiquated system of paying for medical care.

"The American Medical Association, in spite of all the buncombe about 'socialism' which it has been spewing across the nation, knows full well that this is the only thing that national health insurance would affect—the system of paying for medical care," the National Assembly said.

In a telegram to AMA, Assembly President Bernard Tassler said: "Actually, as you know, the total annual income of the medical profession under health insurance will very likely be at least twice what the present total income is. However, the passage of cash from hand to hand would diminish, since the payments to physicians under health insurance would be by check and there would, of course, be more of a record than at present of the actual income of a doctor."

"According to widespread reports, which, however, we are unable to believe, the availability of these

definite income records is the real reason for your stand in opposition to national health insurance. As we say, we do not believe this widely circulated charge. But what is your reason then for spitting yourselves?"

Ninety per cent of small-town newspaper editors have been "sucked into" supporting the AMA's stand, the National Assembly charged, "because the truth about national health insurance has not been put before these editors."

"With national health insurance on the statute books," it pointed out, "there would be a substantial increase in the number of physicians practicing in the villages, towns and smaller cities. It would no longer be necessary for physicians to go to the city in order to achieve wealth in a short period."

Low Incomes Are Overtaxed As Is

Miami.—Following is the text of the statement by the AFL Executive Council opposing a federal sales tax:

The Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor supports the recommendations that have been made to Congress that extraordinary defense expenditures requiring additional revenue of \$16 billion during the next fiscal year should be raised through additional taxes.

The American Federation of Labor has urged a pay-as-you-go budget policy ever since the end of World War II, and believes recognition by Congress of the folly of continuing deficits in the period of existing and prospective high employment and production is long overdue.

If the Congress decides that increased expenditures in the amount recommended are required we believe the additional \$16 billion of revenue can be raised. The problem is one of determining the manner in which these additional funds can be raised with a minimum of danger and hardship to the economy.

We believe this revenue must be secured from personal and corporate income taxes because increases in such taxes yield the necessary revenue, would most effectively serve to check inflation, and would be most equitable.

No program for increasing federal tax revenue at a time when taxes are already high would be realistic unless developments of the past five years are taken into account. Examination shows quite clearly that the 60 per cent of family spending units in the income groups below \$3,200 are relatively worse off as taxpayers than the spending units above \$3,200 because of the following factors which have thrown a disproportionate share of the over-all tax load on them:

TAXES RAISE COSTS

1. Excise taxes, rather than being reduced, have actually been increased since 1945. They have increased the cost of living, and to the extent that they are included in the cost of consumption goods, contribute to inflation.

2. State and local governments have increased their sales taxes by \$2½ billion yearly since 1945.

3. Property taxes have increased by close to \$3 billion yearly since 1945. The lower income groups have absorbed a disproportionately large share of this increase through rents, direct payment of

taxes, and through their spendings, since business includes local taxes in the price of goods as a cost of operation.

4. Personal income taxes continue to favor upper income taxpayers because of (1) enactment of split income provision and (2) special exemptions to certain types of income.

5. Virtual scuttling of the estate and gift tax by the 80th Congress resulted in a loss of hundreds of millions of dollars and makes a mockery of the suggestion of equality of sacrifice.

The above factors argue against the adoption of a federal sales tax, excise taxes, or any upward adjustment in rates on income below \$3,000. They would seem rather to constitute compelling reasons

Portland Rents Go Up 42 Per Cent!

Portland, Ore. (LPA)—This city has taken the first step toward removal of huge slum areas by asking the Federal Government to earmark \$1,412,880 for a preliminary survey to determine slum clearance needs. The program would replace slum housing with new commercial and residential properties on the West Side downtown district or on the East side.

Since controls were removed here Dec. 29 complaints have been pouring in from renters of single family houses. Their rents have jumped an average of 42 per cent, apartments 10½ per cent.

But owners kept right on moaning about their lot. Oregon Apartment House Association members said renters became used to more space than they "ordinarily could afford because of ridiculously low prices" under rent control. Ignoring criticism by the AFL Central Labor Council, the realtors commended apartment owners for "restraint shown in rent increases."

for the adoption of a tax credit for those in the income groups below \$2,000 along the lines recommended by President Truman in 1947.

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